

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 17-19, with the following paragraph:

The preparation of tacrolimus is described in EP-A-0 184 162 and analogues of tacrolimus are disclosed e.g. in EP-A-0 444 659 and US 6,387,918, ~~which are both (US 6,387,918 is hereby incorporated by reference)~~.